

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: K. TAKAHASHI et al. Confirmation No.: 3101
Serial No.: 10/822,663
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For: AUTOMATIC ANALYZER
Group: 1743
Examiner: P. Kathryn Wright

REPLY

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

October 19, 2007

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 19, 2007, the period for reply thereto being extended one month by the attached Petition for Extension of Time to expire October 19, 2007, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4.

Amendments to the Drawings describing changes to drawings shown in the Appendix

Remarks are included following the amendments.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following the Remarks.